

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **The Kansas Department of Health and Environment**

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 7 have received a Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) PCB (polychlorinated biphenyls) storage permit application from Solomon Corporation, Solomon, Kansas. Solomon Corporation is seeking a TSCA PCB coordinated approval from KDHE and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The coordinated approval would allow Solomon to operate a PCB Commercial Storage facility in Solomon, Kansas.

The KDHE portion of the Coordinated Approval is a PCB Facility Construction Permit. Facilities in Kansas that intend to treat, store or dispose of PCBs are required to obtain a PCB Facility Construction Permit from KDHE. Solomon operates a transformer reclamation facility at 302 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Solomon, Kansas. Solomon currently processes transformers that contain dielectric fluids that are either non-PCB or contain PCBs at concentrations below 50 parts per million (ppm). Solomon proposes to construct a permitted PCB commercial storage facility immediately adjacent to the existing transformer reclamation facility. Solomon plans to consolidate the receipt of all oil-filled electrical equipment at the new PCB facility. Dielectric transformer fluid that contains PCBs at concentrations between 50 and 1,500 ppm will be drained out of the transformers and pumped into one of two 7,137 gallon PCB storage tanks. The two tanks will be enclosed within a concrete bermed secondary containment area inside the new building. The PCB dielectric fluid will remain in the PCB storage tanks until it is shipped from the facility by vacuum tanker truck for treatment or disposal. The EPA portion of the Coordinated Approval will allow Solomon to operate as a Commercial Storer of PCBs in accordance with TSCA requirements.

A copy of the administrative record which includes the draft permit, permit application and all information pertaining to this permit action will be available for public review on March 8, 2007 through May 31, 2007 during normal business hours at the following locations:

Kansas Department of Health and Environment  
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 320  
Topeka, KS 66612-1366  
Contact: Mostafa Kamal  
(785) 296-1609

City of Solomon, Kansas  
Solomon Public Library  
108 North Walnut Street  
Solomon, KS 67480

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
EPA Record Center  
901 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Kansas 66101  
Contact: James Dworak PhD.  
(913) 551-7485

Anyone wishing to comment on the draft permit should submit written comments postmarked no later than May 31, 2007 to Mr. Mostafa Kamal (KDHE) or Dr. James Dworak (EPA) at the above addresses. There will be an Availability Session open to the public at the City Hall, 116 West Main Street, from 2 pm to 4 pm on May 16, 2007. Personnel from KDHE will be available to discuss issues and concerns related to the proposed Solomon Corporation PCB Construction Permit at this time.

A public hearing will be held at 6 pm on Wednesday May 16, 2007 at the Solomon City Hall. After consideration of all the comments received at the hearing and during the public comment period, the KDHE Secretary and the EPA Regional Administrator will make the final decision on the Coordinated Approval. Notice will be given to the applicant, all persons who submitted written comments, and those who requested notice of the final decision. If none of

the comments received during the public comment period result in revision(s) to the draft permit, the permit will become effective immediately upon issuance.

Roderick L. Bremby

Secretary of Health and Environment